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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Serial No. 10/689,551 Confirmation No. 9307 Group Art Unit: 3742

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Examiner: Quang T. Van

COMMENTS ON REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

A Statement of Reasons for Allowance was forwarded in the Notice of Allowability mailed December 28, 2004.

MPEP §1302.14 states, in part:

Where specific reasons are recorded by the examiner, care must be taken to ensure that statements of reasons for allowance (or indication of allowable subject matter) are accurate, precise and do not place unwarranted interpretations, whether broad or narrow upon the claims. The examiner should keep in mind the possible misinterpretations of his or her statement that may be made and its possible estoppel effects.

The Examiner characterizes certain features of identified claims. However, it is submitted that not all of the features listed by the Examiner are recited in all of the identified claims.

By way of example, the Examiner's Reasons with respect to claims 29 and 30 refer to "the steps of." However, these claims do not recite this feature. With respect to claims 8-16, the Examiner refers to a "rotation" speed, whereas a "rotational" speed is claimed. The discrepancies between the Examiner's Reasons and the recited claims are not necessarily limited to those specifically listed herein.

It is further submitted that the claims speak for themselves and should not be interpreted based on the Examiner's characterizations of same. It is also submitted that the claims provide their own best evidence as to the reasons for allowance.

In summary, it is submitted that the Examiner's Statement "raises possible misinterpretations... and possible estoppel effects" (M.P.E.P. §1302.14) and is therefore improper.

Respectfully submitted,

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